

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
PEDESTRIAN WORKING GROUP AND THE
REGIONAL BICYCLE TASK FORCE

Tuesday, March 15, 2005 - 1:30 p.m.
MAG Office Building, Suite 200 - Cholla Room
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Tami Ryall, Gilbert, Chair, Regional Bicycle Task Force and Acting Chair of the Pedestrian Working Group	Mitch Foy, Mesa
Bruce Meyers, ADOA Gen. Services	Karen Flores, Peoria
*Michael Eagan, ASLA, Arizona Chapter	Katherine Coles, Phoenix
*Anna Roedler, Avondale	Briiana Leon, Phoenix
*Michael Normand, Chandler	*Randi Alcott, RPTA
*Bill Lazenby, Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists	Dawn Coomer, Scottsdale
Steve Hancock, Glendale	Reed Kempton, Scottsdale
*Michael Cartsonis, Litchfield Park	Eric Iwersen, Tempe
Peggy Rubach, Maricopa County	Randy Overmeyer for Lee Lambert, Surprise
	Mark Smith, El Mirage

*Members neither present nor represented by proxy.

OTHERS PRESENT

Angela Dye, A Dye Design

1. Call to Order

Acting Chair, Dawn Coomer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Approval of the February 15, 2005 Meeting Minutes of the Pedestrian Working Group and the Regional Bicycle Task Force

Mitch Foy moved to approve and Bruce Meyers seconded the move to approve the meeting minutes of the Bicycle Task Force and Pedestrian Working Group for February 15, 2005. The motion passed unanimously.

John Lynch noted that he was present at the February 15, 2005 meeting.

3. Call to the Audience

An opportunity was provided to members of the public to address the Bicycle Task Force and the Pedestrian Working Group on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public were requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes was provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Bicycle Task Force and the Pedestrian Working Group requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items were given an opportunity at the time the item was heard.

4. Member Agency Reports

Committee members were invited to provide an update of pedestrian and bicycle-related activity in their agencies.

John Lynch introduced Peggy Rubach as the new bike and pedestrian coordinator for Maricopa County.

Catherine Coles gave an update on the CMAQ funded underpass near the Esplanade. This will be a very innovative design with a water feature on the north side of the Biltmore Shopping center and landscape planters on the south side.

Eric Iwersen reported that Tempe will have a kick off meeting for the Western Canal, a six mile path from Arizona Mills to 101 freeway. Five arterial street crossings will be addressed in the design. The design process will take one year.

5. Review the Transportation Improvement Project (T.I.P) forms.

Committee members were asked to review the Transportation Improvement Project (T.I.P) forms. Instructions for the Bicycle Projects were in Attachment 1 and for the Pedestrian Projects in Attachment 2.

Mitch Foy requested that the forms be simplified. Tami Ryall supported making the applications easier to fill in.

On Part A, the committee agreed to combine the essence of questions 2, 3, 4, and 5. Reed Kempton suggested adding ADA and AASHTO standards to the list of MAG documents.

Question 6 should be very clear about what the costs are and how are they calculated. The basic elements such as design, construction, administration, soft costs, right of way, and utility relocation should be listed.

Part C discussion about the Regional Bicycle Task Force Rating System included analyzing the questions, the value of the score, and the value of the evaluation process. The Committee decided to keep the scoring system as is for this year. Next year the committee will re-evaluate based on the recommendations from the Bikeway Master Plan.

Dawn Coomer suggested that the TIP application be put in a digital form with click on icons which would provide a hot link for more information. Staff was directed to find definition for the “Activity Centers” and to rewrite the forms to combine the bicycle and pedestrian forms into one.

6. MAG Regional Bikeways Map

MAG staff reported that the Wide World of Maps was hired to print the Regional Bikeways Map. There will be 100,000 copies printed. The maps will come in boxes of 200. Maps should be distributed after March 22, 2005. Distribution is as follows based on population:

<u>City</u>	<u>Number of Boxes</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Number of Boxes</u>
Avondale	6	Peoria	12
Chandler	20	Phoenix	20
Coalition	10	Queen Creek	2
El Mirage	2	Scottsdale	30 40
Gilbert	14 30	Surprise	4
Glendale	28	Tempe	30 40
Goodyear	6	Valley Metro	80
Litchfield	6	Youngtown	2
Maric. County	16		
Mesa	40		

The numbers with a strikeout and new numbers next to it reflect special requests by the city.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be April 19, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. in the Cholla Room.